

Executive Order RH-1-05  
December 29, 2005

**EXECUTIVE ORDER OF COLLIN COUNTY JUDGE**

WHEREAS, by proclamation issued December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2005, the County Judge of Collin County declared a state of disaster for Collin County, resulting from:

**THE POTENTIAL THREAT OF WILDFIRES DUE TO DROUGHT AND ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS**

WHEREAS, said state of disaster requires that certain emergency measures be taken pursuant to the Executive Order of the Governor relating to Emergency Management;

NOW, THEREFORE, the following regulations shall take effect immediately upon issuance of this order and shall remain in effect until the state of disaster is terminated:

**THE USE OF COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS IN AN OUTDOOR ENVIRONMENT BY ANY PERSON IS PROHIBITED.**

- (A) COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED, TO THE USE OF AERIAL FIREWORKS AS STATED IN SECTION (B), MATERIALS USED IN ACTIVITIES SUCH AS WELDING, AND ANY OTHER ACTIVITY THAT COULD RESULT IN A FIRE.
- (B) NO PERSON MAY SELL, DETONATE, IGNITE, OR IN ANY WAY USE FIREWORKS CLASSIFIED UNDER 49 C.F.R. PART 173.100(R)(2) (10-01-1986 EDITION, AS "SKYROCKETS WITH STICKS" AND "MISSILES WITH FINS."
- (C) USE OF PREVIOUSLY STATED FIREWORKS, DOES NOT INCLUDE AN AUTHORIZED PUBLIC DISPLAY THAT HAS BEEN PERMITTED UNDER 2154.204 OF THE TEXAS OCCUPATION CODE.
- (D) CITIZENS ARE ASKED TO VOLUNTARILY REFRAIN FROM USING ALL FIREWORKS TO PROTECT PROPERTY AND PUBLIC SAFETY IN COLLIN COUNTY.

In accordance with the Local Government Code, a person who knowingly or intentionally violates this order commits a Class C Misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of up to \$500 dollars.

**THE PURPOSE OF THIS ORDER IS THE MITIGATION OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY HAZARD POSED BY WILDFIRES DURING THE CURRENT DROUGHT AND SEVERE WEATHER CONDITIONS BY CURTAILING THE USE OF ALL COMBUSTABLE MATERIALS.**

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Ron Harris  
Collin County Judge